

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Ludger DINKELBORG et al.

Group Art Unit 3736

Serial No.: 09/627,321

Examiner John P. Lacyk

Filed

: July 27, 2000

For

STENTS WITH A RADIOACTIVE SURFACE COATING. MECEN SUL 1 (1 PM) PROCESSES FOR THEIR PRODUCTION AND THEIR USE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, applicants hereby elect group I, with traverse. The Examiner has not established that an undue searching burden is required to examine all the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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